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KLONDIKER IS SWINDLED.

Lost \$500 in a game called Marbles in Chicago.

Chicago, March 8.—(Special)—Charles Keck, a returned miner from the Klondike, was swindled out of \$500 today by a gang of confidence men, who induced him to a room on Clarke street where a game called "marbles" was played.

The police are of the opinion that Keck's expected arrival in Chicago was telegraphed ahead to members of the gang in this city by a confederate at Seattle. On his arrival here this morning it is supposed he was followed to a hotel by two men who soon engaged him in a conversation at the bar.

The strangers told Keck how they had won \$1,500 at the game of "marbles."

They showed large rolls of money to convince the man from the Klondike of the truth of their story.

Keck was invited to the room where the game was in progress. The strangers tried his luck and won \$500. It was so easy that Keck took a hand in the game, losing \$500.

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EXTENSION MINE TO CLOSE

Orders Are Given To Miners To Take Out All Tools At End of Month And News Causes Unbounded Dismay Throughout The District.

Men Hold Mass Meeting and Decide to Join Western Federation of Miners but at the Same Time Decline to Ask for Increased Pay.

Nanaimo, March 10.—Like a bolt from the blue the following notice posted at Ladysmith today, caused consternation throughout this district:

"From the first of April, 1903, Extension mines will be closed down. All workmen are requested to return their tools to the storekeeper at Extension, (Sask.) JAMES DUNSMUIR, "President."

Last Sunday the miners held a mass meeting at Ladysmith and voted down a proposition to ask for a 15 per cent increase of pay; but passed a resolution that they would organize as a union under the Western Federation of Miners,

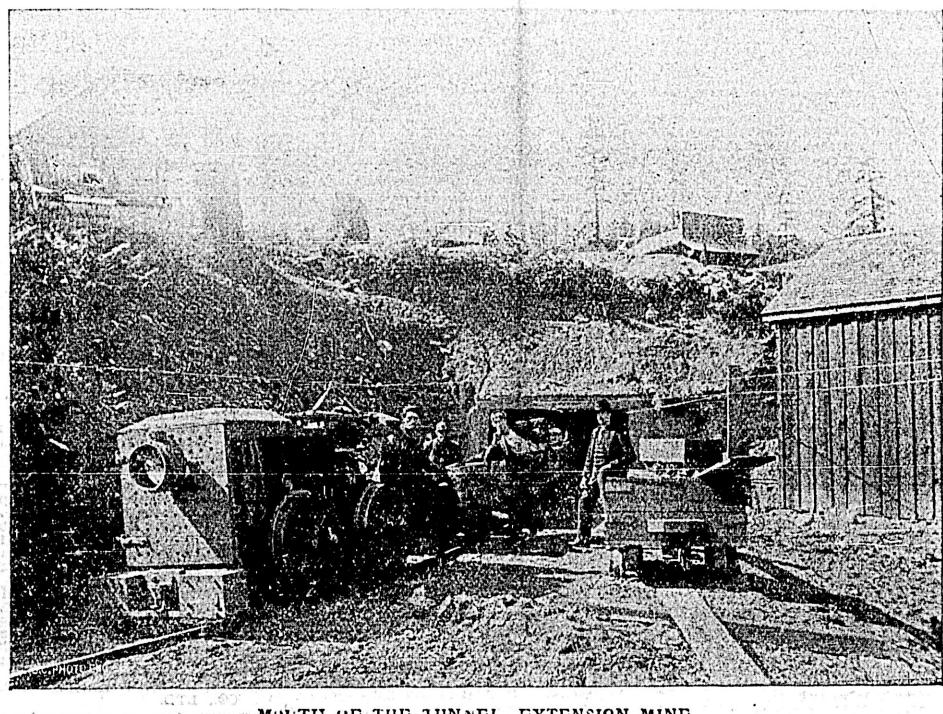
which the Nanaimo miners recently joined. Steps were taken to invite the official from headquarters in Denver to come over and settle the formalities.

No communication was made to the Wellington Colliery Company respecting the matter, but the men supposed that President Dunsuir became aware of the circumstances, as no other reason is known for closing the mine at this time, in face of the best demand for coal for several years. No reason, however, has been given and no information is obtainable from the officials so far.

Fifteen months ago the Alexandra miners attempted to form an amalgamation with the Nanaimo men. Mr. Dunsuir having declared that he would not

permit his men to join any other organization, although willing to allow them to organize among themselves. The Alexandra mine was closed down at once and has not been re-opened since.

One thousand men will be thrown out of work and the thriving town of Ladysmith, where the men all live, will receive a serious check. That the stoppage is not merely temporary is shown by orders for the men to take their tools and which is to become of their pay in case of cessation of operations. Coming as it does immediately after the Nanaimo settlement, when prospects seemed good for a prosperous year in the Island colonies, the news has spread dismay everywhere.



MOUTH OF THE TUNNEL, EXTENSION MINE.

Day's Happening In Vancouver

**Lawyers Claim Partnership in
Cannery and a Dispute
Arises.**

**Special Constable Rebuked
and Fired By Police
Magistrate.**

Vancouver, March 10.—D. Sullivan, special policeman of the C. P. R., was today fined \$10 and the doctor's bill for striking D. Robertson, a logger, with his club. Police Magistrate Russell thought that Sullivan had exceeded his duty as constable, and his action in striking Robertson constituted assault.

An interesting lawsuit is in progress in Vancouver before Justice Irving, in which Jos. Martin and Ernest J. Denison are claiming to be partners of Charles Windsor in the cannery business conducted by Mr. Windsor. Mr. Windsor directs that the plaintiffs are partners.

The Canadian Manufacturers, after their convention in Toronto in August, will proceed to British Columbia by special excursion, staying several days in Victoria and Vancouver. Thursday week the B. C. branch of the association will meet in Vancouver to discuss the duty question as it affects local industries.

The Seattle Yacht club through Mr. Erickson, has at last answered the protestation of the Vancouver club at being required to build racers for the international race that cannot be converted into cruisers owing to small size. Mr. Erickson says that he has no objection to the Victoria club increasing the size of boats, when Victoria has racers already built. It is feared Vancouver will not consent to build a 15-foot boat that is too small to convert into a cruiser.

A number of industrial companies have applied for foreshore rights in North Vancouver for the purpose of establishing concerns along the waterfront. In one instance, the case of a projected shingle mill, a definite understanding was offered that the mill would be established if the rights were granted. In every other case no guarantee was offered, and the North Vancouver Council consequently decided to give up valuable foreshore rights without any understanding. One of the concerns which desired to locate an establishment on the waterfront, was a sardine factory. The company in this case offered to employ 50 hands. The council entered into negotiations with the company, but nothing definite has been done. The number of applications for foreshore rights, however, are so numerous that the corporation would soon be left without any waterfront if they yielded to all the requests for these valuable privileges.

Another big sawmill is going up on False Creek, according to Capt. McLeod, who says that a short time ago Mr. Macrae consulted him about foreshore privileges on False Creek, he informed him at the same time that he intended erecting on False Creek a sawmill and shingle mill of about the same capacity as the Pacific Coast lumber.

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The Tourist Association has issued a very handsome pamphlet profusely illustrated, advertising Vancouver. Six hundred of these pamphlets have already been mailed.

C. P. R. TRAFFIC RECEIPTS.

Last Week Shows Handsome Increase.

Montreal, March 10.—The C. P. R. traffic for the week ending March 7 was \$772,000, and for the same week last year, \$656,000.

Army Estimates In Commons

**War Secretary Declares Govern-
ment Prepared to Fight
For Increase.**

**Thirty Thousand Additional
Men Will Be Asked
For.**

London, March 10.—In the House of Commons today in committee of the whole, the debate on the army estimates was commenced. War Secretary Balfour began by flatly announcing the government's intention to fight it out on the proposition to make the establishment 255,761 men of all ranks as being a question of an efficient force, notwithstanding the attack made on from both sides of the House of Parliament. The Empire's demands were ever increasing, and the proposed establishment would not be found excessive for the colonies, frontiers, and for defence, in the event of the country being called upon to defend the frontiers, which was always liable to occur.

After a short debate on the amendment by 27,000 men, the discussion was adjourned.

For the year 1902-03 the total regular army, Home and Colonial, is given as 205,410. Including Imperial Yeomanry, 16,730, and enlisted volunteers, 5,400, the actual numbers on January 1, 1902, were 322,263.

THE CHESS TOURNAMENT.

Games Continued at Monte Carlo Yes-
terday.

Monte Carlo, March 10.—In the 8th of the second half of the chess tournament today, Wolf heat Moreau, Ruy Lopez opn., in 24 moves; Taubenshuhs heat Schlechter, Ruy Lopez opn., in 27 moves; Maroc heat Reggio, Giuoco Piano in 37 moves, and Teichmann heat Albin, French defense, in 47 moves. The other three games were adjourned. When the playing was resumed, Tarrasch beat Marshall, Queen's Gambit declined, 55 moves. The Maroc game, French defense, was drawn in 75 moves. The contest between Maroc and Pillsbury, Ruy Lopez opn., resulted in a draw in 34 moves.

REVOLUTION IN CHINA.

Encounter Between Imperial Troops
and Boxers.

Peking, March 10.—Yuan Shih Kai, the former governor of Chih-ki province, having been informed that Boxer organiza-

tion was resuming activity in the Eastern part of the province, despatched troops, who discovered that members of the society, well armed, were drilling at night in a town a hundred miles East of Peking. The Boxers were dispersed after a dozen of them and several soldiers had been killed. Yuan Shih Kai ordered the prisoners to be beheaded and their heads displayed in public, and issued a proclamation imposing the death penalty on members of the organization.

MARCONI READY FOR BUSINESS

Will Transmit Messages as Soon as
English Line Is Fixed.

Toronto, March 10.—A London cable

says: Postmaster-General Austen Chamberlain has acceded to the request of Marconi to connect the station at Poldhu with the nearest telegraph office, two miles distant, thus establishing a continuous communication. Marconi is prepared to receive messages at post office as he is ready to transmit them to Canada.

ROYAL CITY TANNERY.

Newly Incorporated Company About to Start New Industry.

New Westminster, March 10.—Reichback Bros., butchers, have formed into a joint stock concern with enlarged capital, will now install a large cold storage plant and go extensively into the tannery business and buy largely of hides to control the local market.

HEAVY SNOWFALL ON FRASER.

New Westminster Visited by Worst Storm in Many Years.

New Westminster, March 10.—The heaviest snowfall for years continued all night and today. Tram and train traffic has been kept open, but telephone and electric light wires are down in every direction. The Great Northern wires are down, and the South trains late.

A HERO REWARDED.

Handsome Bonus to Railroad Fireman Who Saved Many Lives.

Everett, March 9.—(Special)—R. D. Abbott, the fireman who backed the stalled passenger train out of Cascade tunnel several weeks ago, when passengers and train crew were overcome by gas from the locomotive, has been awarded \$1,000 in cash by the company, as reward for his courage and presence of mind.

Abbott's action probably saved the lives of everybody on the train. He is now running out of Leavenworth.

C.P.R. Strikers Remain Firm

Company Offers to Arbitrate One Way and the Men Propose Another.

Full Staff of Clerks at Work and Ample Coal Supplies.

Vancouver, March 10.—The U. B. R. E., out on strike on the C. P. R., are still firm in their determination to demand recognition as a union, and the company as firm in their stand not to concede anything heretofore refused. The Brotherhood suggest arbitration, they selecting one, the P. R. selecting one, the two selecting a third. The wholesale merchants and members of the Board of Trade have held three meetings with the Teamster's union to endeavor to induce them to move freight in the C. P. R. sheds, as a blockade of freight was very seriously interfering with business. The master draymen endeavored also to induce the men to stand by their contract not to quit work for one year until wages were in dispute. The teamsters, however, could not be induced to move freight. The committee from the council agreed to act as arbitrators and suggested doing so. Mr. Marpole informed a committee man that the matter was out of his hands; that suggestions must now be made to Montreal. The U. B. R. E. informed them that the strike would be over when the C. P. R. recognized their union. The large transfer arrived with 24 cars of coal today for local consumption, when her crew was called out by the Steamboatmen's union.

In Mr. Marpole's statement today he says: "We have a full staff of clerks, checkers and packers and have for three months of coal supply on hand." Mr. Marpole pointed out that the company had offered to allow representatives from other unions of the company to arbitrate the dispute and he considers that no fairer proposition could be made. He says that Mr. Estes dare not give publicity to his reason for refusing this offer. Mr. Marpole accuses Estes of trying his utmost to create mischief and damage among other

SIX DIE IN CONVULSIONS

Supposed Victims of Cholera on Board an Anchor Liner.

New York, March 10.—Six strange deaths at sea aboard the Anchor line steamer Karamania from Marseilles, caused that vessel to be detained at quarantine today and Health Officer Doty said the symptoms were so similar to those of cholera that the ship will be thoroughly disinfected, and 300 passengers and the crew sent to Hoffman's island to remain there until the health officer positively knows they are safe from infection. The bodies were buried at sea, and the meagre report of the ship's doctor increased Dr. Doty's suspicions. Each of the six victims died in convulsions, following an attack of nausea and cramps.

BUFFALO'S MURDER MYSTERY. Chief Figure in Burdick Case Meets a Tragic End.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 10.—Ghastly as was the death of E. B. Burdick, a ghastly gruesome tragedy occurred at about 5:35 o'clock this afternoon when Arthur R. Pennell, one of the chief figures in the investigation of the Burdick murder, was hurled headlong into eternity. Mr. Pennell was out riding in his electric automobile with Mrs. Pennell, they were on Kensington avenue, near Wilenske avenue, skimming along the edge of the Gehres stone quarry when a huge rock-rolled loose in the ground on the right side of the avenue, drove out Mr. Pennell's hat, blew off the automobile swerved, and in some unexplainable manner, it leaped over the curb into the abyss below. Pennell was instantly killed, his head being crushed to an unrecognizable mass. Mrs. Pennell was injured so severely that the surgeons at the Sisters' hospital, to which she was taken, said her chances of recovery were very slight.

Burdick was a millionaire bachelor resident of Buffalo, and was murdered a week or two ago. The whole affair was shrouded in mystery, and only a few days ago a prominent lawyer was arrested on suspicion of having been concerned in the crime, a handkerchief which has been identified as his property having been found in Burdick's house. The theory of the police is that jealousy was the motive of the crime.

AFTER THE BEACHCOMBERS, Lumber Association to Stop Taking of Stray Logs.

Everett, March 9.—At the instigation of the "Loggers' Protective Association, comprising the principal mill owners of this city, Chris Carpenter of the city's mightiest lumbermen, Albin Graves, were arrested today on the charge of sawing into shingles a log found floating in the bay near their mill and alleged to belong to a member of the association. Both men gave cash bail of \$100 each for their appearance tomorrow.

This arrest marks the first step taken by the lately incorporated association to put a stop to the taking of stray logs, a practice which, millionaires agree, has been carried on for some time in and around the city. It is stated that loggers of Snohomish county have within the past year lost \$10,000 worth of timber along the river, and in proceeding against suspected parties the association claims to have spent \$600 a month in gathering evidence. A detective has been at work for some time, and it is stated, complaints will be sworn out against several other mill owners as a result of the investigation.

PATIENCE AND TACT AT FERNIE

Committee Doing Good Work and Expect Satisfactory Results Today.

Fernie, B. C., March 10.—The committee have had seven sessions with the striking men and their company, and have adjourned to receive a reply from the men in the morning. Patience and tact and sympathy will eventually prevail, and of which are needed. Both sides consider themselves right, but the committee will probably find that both sides have faults.

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Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets, \$3.00 a box. Incendiaries are

opposed to have started the blaze.

Three feet of Concentrating Ore Discovered in the Larder.

Ferguson, B. C., March 7.—An unexpected and unusually rich strike has been made on the Lucky Boy, near Trout Lake, one of the mines under the management of George W. Stead.

The mine adjoins the Lucky Boy and is in the same ownership. Attention was recently called to the occurrence of the river strike in the early part of the 5th year. The recent strike it appears is to be but on practically the same ground, though of course in different formations. From the smelter's point of view this is very important, and will doubtless have a material effect on the progress of the district.

Mr. Stead states that when drifting to intersect the strike, owing to the fact that it was a distance of 27 feet, and about the same depth from the surface, they ran across a body of concentrating ore about three feet thick, carrying on one side vein of grey copper of from one to two per cent. The vein is mixed with the grey copper, the latter, however, predominating. The assay of an entire section of the vein shows 2,000 ozs. of silver to the ton.

The strike is an important one and warrants the expectation that Mr. Stead has a rich and a profitable one.

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A COPPER MONOPOLY.

If Mr. John D. Rockefeller imagines he can apply Standard Oil methods to the control of copper production and distribution, he has made one of the largest and most expensive mistakes in a life not remarkable for mistakes. We doubt very much whether he has embarked on any such enterprise. Certainly the Standard Oil Company is a very heavy owner of copper mines, and it is quite possible that steps may have been taken to consolidate its interests and bring them under one efficient control. This would have the effect of lessening the force on the market of their competition among themselves, and so benefit the copper industry both for Mr. Rockefeller and other producers. But what is a very different thing from a monopoly comparable to that of his company in the oil market. Copper is a commodity entirely different from oil, both in its occurrence, and also in its uses. Oil disappears as a commercial asset upon consumption, copper does not. The copper market is always held steady by the enormous quantity of old copper in the world which a specially high price brings out, as well as the possibility of converting copper from one use to another in a time of scarcity. Further, the oil monopoly is maintained by the economy resulting from its refining and distribution by one piece of trade mechanism, the Standard Oil Company. There are decided limits to any such economies in the case of copper. Copper matte is easily produced wherever copper deposits of any size are discovered. It would be necessary for a copper monopoly to buy all the independently produced matte in every part of the world, and to refine it in order to control distribution. It could not do this by breaking the independent copper producer as it did by breaking the independent oil refiner. The latter process is accomplished by invading the special territory of the refiner and underselling him until he was bound to come to terms. This could not be done in the case of copper, because refined copper will stand shipment to any point of the compass, and the underselling would have to be done on the open world market. If an attempted monopoly gorged the market with copper in order to reduce independent refiners, that repletion would remain, and be so much the greater menace to itself as its operations were greater than those of the independent refiner. The only way by which a copper monopoly could be established would be by the absorption of all newly discovered copper deposits, an absorption not for the purpose of rendering them productive, but for the purpose of preventing them from becoming productive. Such a crusade would bankrupt the Standard Oil Company in ten years. Then consumers of copper are not small households, but large manufacturing concerns, quite capable of displaying industrial initiative to cheapen their raw material. They would immediately enter the field of mining and refining copper, and would compete with this enormous advantage, that they would be aiming at production, and their capital would not be dead after it was invested in copper deposits. When all the copper deposits of British Columbia, Mexico, South America, Japan, China, Siberia, and Australasia are appropriated by private owners, a copper monopoly may become a possibility, but it will be a combine gigantic beyond the possibilities of present day imagination. Until then it is merely one of these iridescent financial dreams incapable of impressing anyone familiar with the actual circumstances under which copper is, and can be, produced.

A UNITED STATES FAILURE.

There are two respects in which the system of government of the United States is a complete failure, foreign policy and the government of dependent peoples. In the case of foreign policy, this is not generally recognized by the people of the United States themselves, but in the case of dependent peoples, they are beginning to admit that there is something wrong. They have now before them an object lesson calculated to convince the most sordid. In the Philippines, the United States has eight million Oriental wards. These people have come through the most fiery ordeal to which human beings are subject, a mixture of war, pestilence, and famine. The duty of the United States towards them is clear and admitted, yet it is impossible for the United States to fulfil its duty, and its rule is freely stigmatized as a complete and total failure. Senator Taft recently placed his finger upon the cause. He said: "Here are eight or ten million people who have just suffered a terrible distress from war and pestilence, and for whom Governor Taft has recommended a measure of relief. If the American people had suffered such a calamity, we should have an extra session of Congress and exhaust all our resources to restore normal conditions. But for the poor Filipinos, what have we done? Appropriated two and a half million dollars—about 30 cents apiece for the inhabitants of the Philippine Islands—an amount which Governor Taft says, without the aid of a reduced tariff, will be totally inadequate. We had a bill here for reducing the tariff, and it was talked to death." What it means is that the constitution of the United States never contemplated the tutelage of a dependent people, nor the necessity of a foreign policy, such as we understand the term to mean, and both departments of government, become inextricably mixed up in the maelstrom of American local politics. The action of the American people is determined at any particular time, not by the action and reaction of conflicting interests, in which the greatest good of the greatest number is supposed to emerge by an automatic process. Obviously such a system cannot last.

Commenting on the Centre-Bruce election, where Dr. Stewart, the Liberal candidate was defeated, the Globe regrets the result because "his personal character would have added to the moral fibre of the Legislature." The Globe is becoming perfectly sickening. Every body knows that the contest in Centre-Bruce was brought about by sharp practice to turn a Conservative majority of five into a Liberal majority. If the Liberal party secured a blameless man as a candidate, the only thing endangering was the moral fibre of the candidate. The electors repudiated the Liberal party and its candidate as a protest against sharp practice, with a total disregard for the moral fibre of the Legislature, but with a most praiseworthy regard for the moral fibre of themselves. The editorial columns of the Globe are full of "moral fibre" and "moral sentiment" and "moral elevation," and so forth, and so on, yet there is not a single political job it is not ready to condone nor a political scandal it is not ready to de-

possibly work as applied to people who have no means whatever of making their influence felt except the somewhat doubtful method of killing and mutilating American soldiers. The republican system of government, as adopted by the United States, presupposes that everyone concerned in the action of the government shall participate in its formation, and it is utterly incapable of either justice, generosity or common sense in dealing with anyone who does not so participate. The American constitution declares the equality of all men, but there is an inherent limitation of the term "all men" to those who are citizens of the United States, so far as any machinery is supplied for equal dealing among them. As an abstract theory, the American constitution would admit that the Filipinos are men and brothers, but as a practical proposition, the system of government is quite incapable of dealing with them as such, because it takes no cognizance of men outside the periphery of American politics. The same essential vice affects the relations of the American government to foreign peoples as to dependent peoples, but it does not lead to such unlovely results, because foreign peoples have a certain power of protecting themselves which dependent peoples have not. Thus we have the spectacle of nations possessed of the loftiest ideal of human equality, charitable to the point of sentimentalism, instinct with the humanitarian ideas of our modern civilization, to a very marked extent, and yet, in dealing with helpless dependents, not merely capable of more than Turkish injustice and brutality, but apparently incapable of anything else, and in dealing with foreign powers, pushing the resources of diplomacy to the limit of force, without any consideration of justice and equity, but merely of self-interest, a nation limiting its ethical conceptions entirely to its own citizens, and likely to reproduce, as it grows in power, more blood-wrought tyranny than any empire of the ancient world. We become less bitter to the Caesarian pacification of Gaul and the massacres of Islam, when we consider the tutelage of the Filipinos to the United States.

YUKON POLITICS.

A victory like that of Mr. Ross in the Yukon cannot be won without certain results following. In the first place promises were made to the electors which, it is very unlikely, can ever be fulfilled by the government. The electors were informed that the way to reform the notorious abuses existing in the Yukon was to elect a supporter of the administration responsible for these abuses. In the second place, the somewhat doubtful logic of this argument was reinforced by electoral methods with which we are unhappily not unfamiliar in Canada, but which are unattractive in themselves and ultimately prejudicial to those who make use of them. In the Yukon Federal election, which took place on the 2nd of December, there were 5,160 ballots cast, of which Mr. Ross received 2,971, and Mr. Clarke 2,079, with 110 spoiled. About this enumeration the curious thing is that in an election for the Yukon Council held on the 17th of January the three leaders of the poll aggregated only 1,618 votes, although the circumstances were such as to favor a larger vote than on the 2nd of December, and furthermore, the element which was beaten on the 2nd of December was triumphant on the 13th of January all along the line. It is difficult to imagine such a change in public opinion, and so very much smaller a vote being cast within a space of 42 days. We cannot avoid accepting one of two alternatives, either that the election of the 2nd of December did not represent the feeling of the people of the Yukon, or that a most remarkable change has taken place since that date. Either of these alternatives must be unsatisfactory to the Siftonian administration. The opposition has of course considered the propriety of contesting the election of Mr. Ross. A protest might be based upon the facts that at Miller and Glacier Creek, where the population does not exceed forty people, 161 votes were cast for Mr. Ross and 15 for Mr. Clarke, and that at Caribou Crossing, where the population is less than twenty people, 109 votes were cast for Mr. Ross, the Yukon voters resident at Skagway coming to vote there in carload lots. Certain difficulties present themselves to an effective protest, however, in the strange circumstance that during the contest, Mr. Ross had not a single agent in the constituency and was himself out of the country. It was the magic of his name and the magnetic popularity of Mr. Clifford Sifton which carried the constituency. But even if these difficulties could be overcome, and they probably could be, as our courts of law are apt to be sceptical about the magic of names and magnetic popularity as leading people to break the law from pure friendship and zeal, a protest would be practically useless in view of the likelihood of an early general election, when the electors of the Yukon will have an opportunity to protest to some purpose. Meantime Mr. Ross can hardly be considered a cabinet possibility if only for the reason that a cabinet position would involve his re-election.

Vancouver is thinking of employing a landscape expert before proceeding to further improve Stanley Park.

Lient. Hobson, of kissing fame, thinks that with \$1,300,000,000 he could produce a "greater" navy for Uncle Sam as would knock spots off anything John Bull has to show.

The Toronto News under editor Wiliam is making more Conservative votes in Ontario than the Montreal La Patrie under editor Tarte is making in Quebec. But both are doing most excellent work.

The Kootenay press declares that the Granby, Trail and Northport smelters have been successful in procuring partial supplies of coke, to take the place of the Fernie product, but that the cost is considerably greater.

When Lord Randolph Churchill visited the diamond fields of South Africa, while looking at a huge parcel of diamonds, he remarked: "All for the vanity of woman." A lady, who heard the remark, added, "and the depravity of man."

Women are the great readers of general advertisements. They read the advertising columns of the daily newspapers with painstaking care, and base much more of their own and their men-folks' purchases upon what they see therein than many imagine.

The head of the New York detective bureau estimates that during the past two years upwards of twenty millions of dollars has been bunged out of otherwise sensible people by the turf get-rich-quick operators. Strange to relate, the books of these concerns are said to show that nearly one thousand clergymen scattered throughout the world were victims of these frauds.

It is related that a prisoner, arrested for murder, bribed an Irishman on the jury with one hundred dollars to hang out for a verdict of manslaughter. The jury were out a long time, and finally came in with a verdict of manslaughter. The man rushed up to the Irish juror, and said: "I'm obliged to you, my friend. Did you have a hard time?" "Yes," said the Irishman; "an awful time. The other eleven wanted to acquit you."

The law of debtor and creditor is sometimes very harsh. Often there is no option but to give judgment in cases where broad justice would ignore the liability to pay. The courts, however, have considerable power to mitigate the severity of the law, as was shown the other day in the case of a Birmingham bricklayer who was summoned for a debt of one pound sterling, and whom the court gave twenty years in which to discharge the debt.

The Toronto News declares that what the country wants is a strong and well organized railway commission, a fair and strictly non-partisan redistribution of the constituencies, wise, generous and courageous plans for the settlement of the new territories, a thoroughly national treatment of the great problem of transportation, a vigilant and fearless examination of private legislation, open, hand-to-hand fighting with the corporation lobbyist and the resolute assertion of the government's responsibility for all measures that may be enacted by parliament. How very uncomfortable Mr. Willison must have been as editor of the Globe, if he had all these things in his mind.

The obstruction in the House of Representatives at Washington recently became so great that the authorities had to call in a policeman. He was not called in, however, as a policeman, but as a reading clerk, the voices of the reading clerks being completely worn out with ceaseless calling of the roll. The particular policeman called in was one who had been an auctioneer, and his style of reading the roll caused irresistible merriment and applause, at which he interrupted his task to bow his acknowledgments. This a grotesque performance caused such a sensation that business was entirely suspended until members and visitors had had their laugh out. The House of Representatives may resort to a phonograph, but it will never call in another policeman.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE DOG CATCHER AND THE CITY COUNCIL.

Sir—I am certainly surprised that my seeking at the clerk's office of the City Council, information as to a per capita contribution to the poundkeeper should have made more onerous by the per capita allowances of dogmen by him, it seems rather absurd to pay a per capita salary for doing his work, and then make him a grant for carrying out his duty properly. If the remuneration is not sufficient, by all means pay the man fairly for his work by increasing his salary. It will not doubt be more satisfactory to the public to receive more to the public, and the committee of the S. P. C. A. who have to listen to all the complaints to which this per capita grant gives rise.

The society is only indirectly interested in the pound, for it goes without saying that independently of the byaws or the poundkeepers, the office of the poundkeeper would always interfere in any case of cruelty brought under their notice, in the administration of the pound byaws, and that is really all we have to concern ourselves with.

F. B. KITTO,
Honorary Secretary S.P.C.A.

PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Sir—During a recent visit to Vancouver I noticed that the Carnegie Free Library, on Westminster avenue, was nearing completion. On my return to Victoria I found a number of persons why the Victoria Carnegie Free Library had not been started. Why is it that a \$50,000 building, which would cost the citizens nothing beyond the price of a lot of land, and a small sum in excess of what is now paid for the maintenance of the existing library and reading room, has not been started? The expenditure of that amount of money would be an advantage to workingmen, merchants and others at a time when so many "unemployed" are walking the streets. The rates to my inquiry were various. One said that the "new" library, "a library for sale" was partially the "old" library with a view to the sale of their own particular piece of land. Another informed me that it was the saloonkeepers who kept the aldermen from having the library built, and that they were afraid of their patrons. Still another said that the Victoria Peerless Brand Evaporated Cream is a rich, deliciously flavored milk food, perfectly sterilized, according to latest sanitary methods. For general household uses.

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prepared to say. One cannot, however, imagine anything more worthy of the attention of citizens, at the present juncture, than the Carnegie Free Library scheme. Any prominent citizen who would come forward today and use his influence to have the library built at once, would certainly deserve the sincere thanks of the entire community.

B. Williams & Co.

Victoria, March 10th, 1903.

PRESS COMMENT.

The political meaning of the result in North Grey is that the Ontario Conservative government is hopelessly lost in its own province. The point of meaning of the result is that the free trade is dead as Julius Caesar, in the agricultural districts of Ontario. So far as there was an issue in the North Grey fight, the Conservative made protection, but the Canadian cry was "protection for the Canadians." The farmers were not stampeded by the bogey of protection, and if Conservatives can do what they did in North Grey, fighting the United States for tariff protection, then United States goes the same issue in bad times.

North Grey has acquainted Sir Wilfrid Laurier with the solemn truth and he is putting his government out of touch with the enthusiasm of Ontario farmers by his proposal to make sugar from this province.

Sir Wilfrid has, of course, the right to stuff his government full of little court favorites.

The result in North Grey indicates that there are Liberal who are incapable of exercising the right of refusing to lead.

Before the conference started, Mr. Nathan Michaels read a letter to the meeting, a portion of which follows:

"I wish to state at the start that my sympathy is entirely with you in this strike. When we started some three years ago to manufacture Havana cigars in this city, we little thought that the short space of time we would become the largest manufacturers of Havana and cigars under the British flag. Taking advantage of the high tariff on imported cigars and the low tariff on my Havana leaf, we have, with your assistance, established an industry of which we can all well be proud. Since we started we have never laid off one workman, but have gradually increased your numbers, and our weekly salary list has grown from \$83 up to nearly \$1,600 per week. The average wage earned by you, gentlemen, has been \$25 per week, some of you earning as high as \$43 per week."

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It is every day ill that distress most those which seize you suddenly and make you irritable, impatient and fault-finding.

The root of these troubles lies in the blood and nerves, and you cannot get rid of them until the blood has been made rich and pure, and the nerves strengthened and soothed. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills will do this, and will do more speedily and with more lasting results than any other medicine. In proof of this Mrs. James Patterson, Chilliwack, B. C., says: "My daughter was in poor health, and her system badly run down. She was pale, suffered from severe headaches, and was very nervous. We decided to give her Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after using six boxes she is a strong, healthy girl. I gladly recommend the pills in similar cases."

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"Sit down!" cried several pitites, furiously.

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Local News

No. 3 Company.—The annual meeting of No. 3 Company Association, Fifth Regiment, will be held in the Drill Hall tonight. A full attendance is requested.

Business Change.—F. M. Black, of the firm of F. R. Stewart & Co., at Vancouver, has retired, the business being continued by the remaining partner.

King's Daughters.—The Victoria Circle of King's Daughters will hold a meeting at Miss Harvey's residence, Belcher street, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. A full attendance is desired.

Voters' League.—The usual weekly meeting of the Voters' League which was to have been held yesterday evening, was postponed, owing to the inclemency of the weather.

Horticultural Society.—The monthly meeting of the Victoria Horticultural Society will be held in the City Hall on Thursday evening next, March 12, at 8 o'clock. Mr. James will read a paper. Visitors are cordially invited to be present.

Death of Pioneer.—Charles H. Sharp, a well known ship carpenter, died at the Jubilee hospital Monday night. He had resided in this city for many years, and was a native of Baltimore, aged 81 years. A family of sons and daughters survives Mrs. Sharp, having died a few months ago.

Angeles Dock.—Port Angeles is to have a great ocean dock 750 feet long and sufficient width to accommodate large sailing ships. The construction will be begun tomorrow. The location survey for the railway has been completed a distance of 75 miles from Port Angeles. Two sawmill companies are looking for sites for mills on the harbor front.

Boys' and youths' overcoat price cut in two for cash until after stock-taking. B. Williams & Co.

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Esquimalt School.—The new school house which has just been finished at Esquimalt, is now ready for occupancy and will be opened about June 1 next. J. Finmore, secretary of the Board of School Trustees of Esquimalt, is calling for applications up to March 31, for the positions of male principle, assistant teacher and janitor.

Bible Society.—The annual meeting of the Bible Society will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the school room of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The annual report will be presented and addressed will be delivered by Rev. Messrs. Dean, Westman and McKeown. Solos will be rendered by W. Hicks and Miss Deaville of the Centennial Methodist church choir.

Transfer of Copyright.—The copyrights of the first two publications of Mr. G. Jennings' Burnett's musical compositions published three years ago in London, England, have been transferred by the composer to the leading musical firm of Toronto, viz: the Nordheimer Music Publishing Company. Hitherto the firm of School Trustees of Esquimalt, is calling for applications up to March 31, for the positions of male principle, assistant teacher and janitor.

Alumni Meeting.—The first regular meeting of the Victoria High School Alumni will be held on Friday the 20th instant. Papers have been prepared on the early history of the school, and in addition an appropriate programme will be given by Alumni talent. The work of enrolling members is proceeding very successfully. All desiring to join may forward their applications with the annual fee to J. Newbury, the president of C. H. Kent, treasurer, or Gordon M. Grant, secretary, or any other member of the executive.

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Bank Exchange.—The Escalat Cafe from this date will serve merchants lunch from 11:30 to 2 p.m. at usual town prices.

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"I am absolutely opposed to the Carnegie library project. The money necessary to finance the scheme could be much better devoted to the requirements of streets, sewers, and sidewalks than to the accomplishment of something which is nothing more than a luxury in the present stage of Victoria's position as a city."

So said Alderman H. M. Grahame, in an interview with a Colonist representative yesterday.

"I will explain my position to you exactly," said Mr. Grahame. "At Monday evening's regular meeting of the council I announced myself as an opponent of the library project; and I did not do so without careful consideration of the scheme in all its details."

"My chief objection to the scheme is simply this: It is not wanted—there is no demand for it. On the other hand there is a great and persistent demand for improvements to our streets, our sewers, our sewerage system, and service drains. And these demands are all legitimate. Thousands of dollars could be expended in meeting the wishes of the ratepayers in respect to actual necessities; but the council has not got the money."

Would it not, then, be very foolish on our part to go ahead with the erection of an institution for which there is no demand, and which would be a constant drain on the finances of the city?" When told the council said afterwards that the ratepayer who asked for an appropriation for a piece of sidewalk, an improvement to a street, or a better water service?"

But let us examine the Carnegie library project in its entirety as a business proposition. First of all, we are called upon to erect a building costing \$50,000—a building not including any furnishings whatever, save the necessary shelves. Now the books in the present library would be entirely out of place in the new building, so it will be necessary to purchase an entirely new library of books. What would that cost? I think a modest estimate would be \$10,000, if we were to get any collection at all decent.

"Now we come to cost of maintenance. But, first of all, we must spend \$5,000 on a site for the building; and I may tell you that the estimates for the year will hardly stand any more paring than we have cut down pretty fine already. However, we must, according to the terms of the agreement, spend \$5,000 a year on maintenance. Let us say for that will go and what sum plus will be left for books. A first class librarian must be secured for such an institution, and he would command a salary of at least \$1,200. He would need at least two assistants, and their salaries would be, say, \$600 and \$480, respectively. The services of a janitor would be required all the year round, and he would have to be paid at least \$720. That makes the expenditure \$3,000 annually thus far. We would have to add \$1,000 for fuel, light, insurance, and so on; and this would leave \$1,000 for the purchase of books. In 50 years the city would have expended a quarter of a million dollars."

"If the people of Victoria really need a library, it would be much better for them to borrow the money, which they could get at 4 per cent. Thirty thousand dollars would be enough for a site and building adequate for many years to come. But I do not believe that the people of Victoria are crying out for

huge library. I know that the Tourist Association is anxious that we go ahead with the project; but let us look into the matter a little more closely. Why do tourists come here for? They come here for rest and enjoyment—because of the scenic beauty of the place and attractions of climate. The majority of them are wealthy people—they have left splendid libraries behind them; and what they would appreciate in Victoria much better than a Carnegie edifice would be well-kept streets, good water and sewerage systems—cleanliness, tidiness and up-to-dateness. That is what they are after, and that is what we should aim to give them."

"I will return to my principal objection to undertaking the expenditure at this time. Let me remind the ratepayers of Water Commissioner Raymurt's plea for more funds to put the water system in a better state of efficiency. Mr. Raymurt has asked for a large appropriation; and, without discussing whether he is likely to get it or not, I agree that his recommendations are sensible. Then cast your mind's eye to Victoria West. The West is a suburb in the way of other necessities it is in a deplorable condition. How can we with any show of reason put off attending to the requirements of Victoria West as far as we are able, and yet go and arrange for the diversion of funds for the establishment of a white elephant? To my mind it would be nothing short of criminal foolishness to defer getting ratepayers of an opportunity of getting better sidewalks, better roads and better surface drains—all actual necessities—in order to take advantage of an offer which is nothing more than a fool and the gratification of a whim."

Ald. Grahame does not occupy an isolated position at the aldermanic board in respect to his attitude on the Carnegie library project. He has with him three, and perhaps four of his brother aldermen, though they are not so outspoken in their opposition to the scheme. Ald. Kinman presented him with the argument "let us attend to the wishes of the ratepayers—let us attend to the wishes of the ratepayers as far as we can be in the matter of streets, sewers and sidewalks before we go ahead with the erection of something there is no particular yearning for, and which would be a constant drain on the finances of the city."

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Ald. Grahame, though he would favor reopening the whole matter and leaving the question of the acceptance or non-acceptance of the gift to the decision of the ratepayers.

It is likely that Ald. Vincent will be found standing "check by jowl" with Ald. Grahame.

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To show the wealth and extent of the ore bodies in the Rainy district, he pointed out that he had followed out vein on the surface for 500 miles, making it being in places 5 to 100 feet in width.

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MILITARY NOTES.

Semi-Annual Tour of Inspection—R. E. Give Farewell Concert.

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Lt. Col. Holmes, D. O. C., will shortly make his semi-annual inspection of military stores through the Kootenay country. It is believed that a good many changes will be made in the Kootenay Mountain Rangers at Rossland. At present this corps has no commanding officer, and only one lieutenant, on account of resignations. They also require a drill instructor, as the officers are too far removed from any school of instruction to be able to qualify, without very serious loss of time and money. In addition the infantry drill has been radically altered since the present officers learned the work. This makes it especially desirable that an instructor should be appointed.

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Lt. Col. Holmes, the head of the McLaren Imperial Cheese Company, is preparing to engage extensively in the exploitation of properties acquired by himself and Mr. MacLaren, M.L.C., in company with Mr. MacLaren, M.L.C., visited the district in the interests of the stockholders of the Summit Lake Gold Mining Company, and were so impressed with the possibilities of the district that they decided to take up other properties, resulting in a consolidation of three companies with a capital of \$3,000,000. The consolidated company owns 600 acres of the choicest mineral country in the world, the value of which is over the plates \$1500 per acre. The company is now engaged in erecting steam hoists, air compressors, and has given orders for steam drills and a forty-ton stamp mill. Mr. Gamble states that the company has no intention to be exploited. Several mines are already ready to start production of bullion on the way being no less than six companies working regularly and every one of these promising companies has been initiated by American enterprise.

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The Rainy River district possesses every requisite, there being abundant water, accessibility for railway purposes and good soil for agricultural pursuits.

Mr. Gambie is enthusiastic over the mining possibilities of the Rainy River district. He can tell the United States how to compare with Canada. In its magnificent heritage of mineral, fish, cereal and lumber supplies, and he predicts that nothing can prevent the Dominion from taking a giant stride in the coming years. It is estimated that the mines now coming in to life are so rich that the world at large.

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WIRES DOWN.

Much Inconvenience Was Caused by
Electrical Wires Being Down.

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Telephone communication was also interrupted as the wires were down all over the town, and also in the outlying districts. The stoppage of the car service was caused by the transmission line of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, having been broken by the falling of a tree across the line between Craigflower bridge and Goldstream. The indications are that Victoria will be soon relieved of its snowy mantle, as steady snow has set in, and there is no sign of frost.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK STOCKS.

Market Dull and Relapses Into Gloom.

New York, March 10.—Another sound reversal of sentiment today and another reversal of the market. The gloom is still with us, but there is a feeling of great relief and a disposition to take a rosative view of the facilities at hand in the money market, but it began to appear in the afternoon, and the market is showing up the new sources brought within reach of the local money market by the rise in interest rates, was going on at too rapid a rate and could not be indefinitely extended. The new market, however, is outstanding, short contracts also depriving the market of a very important sustaining force. Sentiment accordingly shifted to the favorable again. The market is still regarding the situation between the two eastern pool in contrast to the two western pool in Northern Pacific and the Union Pacific holding of stock were made the instrument of extensive operations.

New York, March 10.—The following were the closing bids on the Stock Exchange today:

American Copper 730

American Locomotive 23

American Locomotive pfd. 914

American Sugar Refinery 1203

American Smelting & Refining Co. 1203

American Steel & Wire 1195

Armenia Mining Co. 805

Atchison pfd. 974

Baltimore & Ohio 100

Baltimore & Atlantic 1275

Calgary & Okanagan 46

Chicago & Northwest 181

St. Paul 204

Calgary & Southern 2004

Consolidated Gas 614

Colorado Fuel & Iron 314

Canadian Products 303

Devon & Rio Grande 303

Toronto & Rio Grande pfd. 303

Dubuque, S. & A. 804

General Electric 103

Great Northern 174

Great Northern 605

Kansas & Texas 564

Kansas & Texas pfd. 564

Louisville & Nashville 117

Manhattan Elevated 107

Manhattan Elevated 757

Manitoba, St. P. & St. M. 1203

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Metropolitan Traction 1305

New York Central 103

North Western 1203

Eric Railway 1st pfd. 52

Eric Railway 2nd pfd. 303

New York, Ontario & Western 103

Norfolk & Western 1203

Pennsylvania 1203

Pressed Steel 605

Philadelphia & Reading 2nd pfd. 303

Southern Railway 1203

Southern Pacific 605

Tennessee Coal & Iron 1203

United States Leather 1203

United States Steel 1203

United States Steel pfd. 1203

United States Rubber 1203

Union Pacific 91

Union Pacific pfd. 1203

Wabash Railway 1203

Wabash Railway pfd. 1203

Wisconsin Central 243

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Commercial Cable 103

C. P. R. in London 132

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are said to be considering the project. Other new steamers shortly to be operated in the trans-Pacific to the Orient are the steamers Minnesota and Dakota. President J. D. Farrell, of the Great Northern Steamship Company, J. J. Hill's prospective trans-Pacific line from Seattle, is in San Francisco on his way to the Oriental ports, to visit them for the first time and get acquainted generally with the trade conditions into which the new company will have to fit. For a beginning the new company will have two steamships on the run, the Minnesota and the Dakota. The Minnesota is a British steamer of 2,008 tons, running between Philadelphia and London, and the Dakota is in the same service.

THE ALEX. MCNEIL.

Crew Say the Wreck was Caused as
Result of Drunkenness of Officers.

Capt. Jorgenson and nine of the crew of the bark Alex. McNeil, which was wrecked on Pratas reef—as detailed in these columns—arrived at San Francisco on Monday. The sailors state that shortly after the vessel left Hongkong, on December 9, the officers became intoxicated, and the vessel shifted from her proper course, finally bringing up on the reef, where she went aground. They reached a drunken fight following the stranding of the vessel, during which the sailors assert, the ship's captain emptied his revolver at the officers, but he was too intoxicated to aim with precision and no one was injured.

A boat containing the first mate and four of the crew was lost, and no trace of the men was found. The names of the men follow: Chief Mate Evans, Charles Olszen, William Johnson, two Russians.

The stranded sailors remained on the reef three weeks, finally putting to sea in an improvised boat, headed for Hongkong. They were picked up by a steamer and taken to Hongkong. Capt. Jorgenson denied that he or any of the officers were drunk. "There was only a gallon of whiskey on the ship when we sailed from Manila," he said, "and it had not been touched until after the crew had been rescued."

THE SPOKANE SAILS.

Pacific Coast SS. Co.'s Liner Resumes Service to the North.

Steamer Spokane, Capt. H. Lloyd, which has been out of commission for some time, resumed her service to Alaskan ports early yesterday morning, when she sailed for Lynn Canal and way ports with a fair cargo and 100 passengers. W. C. G. Bartel, one of the passengers, has come as his ultimate destination. After a brief stop at Dutch Harbor he will proceed down the river over the land and snow. Bartel was one of the discoverers of tin in the Cape Fox district. Other well known passengers of the Spokane are: J. B. Bassett, bridge builder of the Pacific Coast Company; Barraden, a Skagway merchant; Judge J. R. Winn and Willis E. Novell, of Juneau. Among other Klondike-bound passengers are O. R. Bremner, representing Chicago capital; J. L. Birschberg and Mrs. M. Stewart.

SLOOP WRECKED.

Loss of One Life and Possibly Two Others.

According to advices from Juneau, the little sloop Mariana is a wreck in Alaskan waters with one and possibly three lives lost. James Gordon, an Indian and the owner of the craft, is the known dead.

On February 4 the sloop struck on a rock while on her way from Killisnoo to Hoonah. As the boat stuck fast all went ashore and erected a tent and removed all the goods. Two women were left on the shore and the men, three in number, went again on board to wait for the tide to rise, hoping to float the boat.

In the morning Gordon was found on the beach clasping an oil can. He spoke only a few words and died. The other two men have not been seen. They are Grant King and Jim Teendoo.

Wreck reached Hoonah on the 16th, and the next day several boats went to the rescue of the women and to search for the lost bodies. The bodies were not found and the party returned to Hoonah with the two widows and the one body, which was buried two days later. The man from Killisnoo was not married.

TACOMA SAILS.

Carries Heavy Rush Shipments of Tobacco to Japan.

Steamer Tacoma of the Northern Pacific line which had been undergoing repairs at the cannery she arrived from the Orient, passed out to sea on Monday with a full cargo for the port of the Far East—she having sailed two days in advance of her schedule. No call was made at Victoria, and she will not call at Yokohama.

The reason for the steamer's departure ahead of her schedule and for her going direct to Kobe, is that she carries a consignment of time freight in the form of 428 hogsheads of Virginia and North Carolina leaf tobacco, aggregating 475,000 pounds, which must be in Japan prior to March 31, at which time the cargo is to be paid off in full.

The Tacoma has ample time to reach Kobe and land her cargo before the increased duty becomes effective. She had no saloon passengers.

The Tacoma has been in port since January 14 receiving an extensive overhauling to her boilers and machinery and new two-deck sides, besides additional improvements, which makes her good as new. She carries a large quantity of new. She carries a large quantity of new.

The Tacoma's cargo, includes 1,000 bales of cotton, 1,870,000 yards of cotton cloth, 10,120 sacks of flour, 500 cases of canned salmon and about 2,000 cases of condensed milk.

LUMBER CHARTERS.

Two Other Vessels Taken up to Load at B. C. Mills.

Two new charters have just been made for the British Columbia lumber mills. The British ship Bardowie, a ship of 2,011 tons, commanded by Capt. Stutter, now discharging cargo at San Francisco from Hamburg, is chartered to load lumber at the Chemainus mills for Capstone. The Bardowie arrived at the Golden Gate on January 28 from Hamburg. The British ship William Mitchell, Capt. Gilbert, 1,883 tons, which is also discharging at San Francisco has been chartered to load lumber at Hastings for South Africa. The British ship Tasmania, laden with 1,900,000 feet of lumber from Chemainus for

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